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## Viewing cable 06BOGOTA7418, CLARIFYING DECREE ON JUSTICE AND PEACE LAW

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### Understanding cables

Every cable message consists of three parts:

- The top box shows each cables unique reference number, when and by whom it originally was sent, and what its initial classification was.
- The middle box contains the header information that is associated with the cable. It includes information about the receiver(s) as well as a general subject.
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### Discussing cables

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Reference ID	Created	Released	Classification	Origin
<a href="#">06BOGOTA7418</a>	<a href="#">2006-08-14 19:59</a>	<a href="#">2011-08-30 01:44</a>	<a href="#">CONFIDENTIAL</a>	<a href="#">Embassy Bogota</a>

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RUEHLP/AMEMBASSY LA PAZ AUG 8146  
RUEHPE/AMEMBASSY LIMA IMMEDIATE 4130  
RUEHNY/AMEMBASSY OSLO IMMEDIATE 0330  
RUEHQT/AMEMBASSY QUITO IMMEDIATE 4785  
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SUBJECT: CLARIFYING DECREE ON JUSTICE AND PEACE LAW

¶1. (C) Ambassador Wood raised U.S. concerns with the GOC,s draft implementing decree clarifying the Constitutional Court,s July 13 ruling on the Justice and Peace Law (JPL) in an August 8 meeting with GOC Peace Commissioner Luis Carlos Restrepo and an August 9 session with former Foreign Minister and Ambassador Designate to the United States Carolina Barco. In both meetings, the Ambassador stressed the regulations should:

- maintain the Constitutional Court,s ruling that demobilized paramilitaries would receive no benefits under the JPL for any crime for which they are subsequently convicted in an ordinary court that they did not disclose;
- require demobilized paramilitaries to turn over all of their illicit assets to qualify for JPL benefits and to surrender licit assets, if their illicit assets are insufficient, to satisfy a judicial determination of the amount they owe in reparations;
- not address the issue of where demobilized paramilitaries should serve their alternative sentences; and
- not preclude or jeopardize the possibility of extradition in any way.

¶2. (C) Restrepo and Barco appreciated the Ambassador,s input and promised to forward them to the GOC officials working on the draft.  
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